

HR 7105

WOSB Certification and Opportunity Expansion Act

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commerce

Introduced: Jan 29, 2024

Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. (Feb 29, 2024)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-7]

Party: Democratic • **State:** NY • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. LaLota, Nick [R-NY-1]	R · NY		Jan 29, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 29, 2024
Small Business Committee	House	Reported By	Feb 20, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 9510	Related bill	Sep 9, 2024: Referred to the Committee on Small Business, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, Veterans' Affairs, and Oversight and Accountability, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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This bill requires that only women-owned small businesses that have been certified by a federal agency, state government, or national certifying entity approved by the Small Business Administration (SBA) are included when calculating whether a federal agency has met its contracting goals with respect to such businesses during a fiscal year.

Certain self-certified, women-owned small businesses that have filed an application for certification are deemed to have been certified until the SBA or national certifying entity makes a determination with respect to the certification of such business.

The SBA must provide a briefing each quarter about specified aspects of the process of certifying women-owned small businesses and implementing the requirements of the bill.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 29, 2024:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
- **Feb 28, 2024:** Mr. Williams (TX) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Feb 28, 2024:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H722-723)
- **Feb 28, 2024:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 7105.
- **Feb 28, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H722-723)
- **Feb 28, 2024:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H722-723)
- **Feb 28, 2024:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Feb 20, 2024:** Reported by the Committee on Small Business. H. Rept. 118-393.
- **Feb 20, 2024:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 322.
- **Jan 31, 2024:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Jan 31, 2024:** Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 24 - 0.
- **Jan 29, 2024:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 29, 2024:** Referred to the House Committee on Small Business.